

YOUR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Please read the following rights and responsibilities. If you disagree with a statement, additional questions may appear or your eligibility for programs may be impacted.

1. I know that under federal law, discrimination isn't permitted on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. I can file a complaint of discrimination by contacting SCDHHS at (803) 898-2605 and filing a written Civil Rights Discrimination Complaint with the Office for Civil Rights, SCDHHS, P.O. Box 8206, Columbia, SC 29202-8206.
2. I know I will be asked to cooperate with the agency that collects medical support from an absent parent. If I think that cooperating to collect medical support will harm me or my children, I can tell the agency and may not have to cooperate.
3. I assign and give my rights to any payments from a liable third party to the SCDHHS up to the payment amount that Healthy Connections has made for my medical care. This assignment applies to any of my minor children who may be injured. These payments may include payments from health insurance, legal settlements, or other third parties. I also understand that I have a duty to cooperate in identifying and providing information to assist Healthy Connections in pursuing third parties who may be liable to pay for care and services.
4. I understand that I must cooperate fully with state and federal workers if my case is reviewed. I also understand that, as a condition of eligibility, I must apply for and take steps to obtain any other benefits, including but not limited to, annuities, pensions, retirement, disability and other benefits.
5. As an applicant/beneficiary for Medicaid services, I understand that there are two groups of people that are affected by estate recovery:
 - A person of any age who was a patient in a nursing facility, intermediate care facility for the intellectually disabled, or other medical institution at the time of death, and who was required to pay most of his/her income for the cost of care; or
 - A person who was 55 years of age or older when he/she received medical assistance consisting of nursing facility services, home and community based services, and hospital and prescription drug services provided to individuals in nursing facilities or receiving home community-based services.I understand that upon receiving any of these services, the Department of Health and Human Services will file a claim against my estate (all personal and real property owned by me at my death) for the amount Medicaid has paid for my services.
6. I know that I must tell SCDHHS if any information I listed on this application changes and is different than what I wrote on this application. I understand that a change in my information could affect the eligibility for member(s) of my household.
7. The information I provide on this application and in future interaction with SCDHHS will be used to check my eligibility for help paying for health coverage, if I choose to apply. If the information I provide doesn't match our electronic data, I may be asked to send proof. I know that, unless I specifically ask to be excluded, information collected will be securely stored in order to be sure that services provided to my family and me are sufficient and necessary.
8. If I think SCDHHS, the agency that administers Healthy Connections, the state's Medicaid and CHIP programs, has made an error I can appeal its decision. To appeal means to tell someone at SCDHHS that I think the action is wrong, and ask for a fair review of the action. I must submit a written request for such a hearing to SCDHHS. I know that I can be represented in the process by someone other than myself. My eligibility and other important information will be explained to me.
9. I know that personal health information I provide or that is later gathered by SCDHHS is covered by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and I will receive a Notice of Privacy Practices along with my Healthy Connections Card(s).

Sign this document.

By signing, I state that I have read and agree to the rights and responsibilities stated on this application.

Signature

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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